

California State Fire Marshal CODE INTERPRETATION

Date Issued	12/28/2005	Interpretation #	05-009
Topic	HVAC Systems and Smoke Detection		
Code Section(s)	2001 Ca. Building Code Section 713.10.2, #5		
Requested by	Brian E. Smith The Engineering Enterprise 1305 Marina Village Parkway Alameda, CA 94501		

Where a complete smoke detection system is provided, is it the intent of the code to require closing of all fire-smoke dampers served by a single HVAC system within the building upon activation of any smoke detector?

Yes. It is the intent of the code that activation of any smoke detector within the building must close all fire-smoke dampers. This would prevent the spread of smoke from one area to the other.